



**Homeland Security Advisory System
Recommended Actions*
Individuals**

Red (Severe)

- Complete recommended actions at lower levels;
- Listen to radio/TV for current information/instructions;
- Be alert to suspicious activity and report it to proper authorities immediately;
- Contact business/schools to determine status of work day;
- Adhere to any travel restrictions announced;
- Be prepared to evacuate area or shelter in place as directed; and
- Avoid public gathering places such as sports arenas, transportation centers or other high-risk locations.

Orange (High)

- Complete recommended actions at lower levels;
- Be alert to suspicious activity and report it to proper authorities;
- Review your personal disaster plan;
- Exercise caution when traveling;
- Be prepared to do without services you normally depend on that could be disrupted such as electricity, telephone, natural gas, gasoline pumps, cash registers, ATM machines, internet transactions, etc.;
- Do not be afraid to move or leave your location if you feel uncomfortable or if something does not seem right;
- If a need is announced, donate blood at designated blood collection centers; and
- Check on neighbors, relatives, friends that have special needs and assist them as necessary.

Yellow (Elevated)

- Complete recommended actions at lower levels;
- Be alert to suspicious activity and report it to proper authorities;
- Ensure disaster supplies kit is stocked and ready;
- Check/update telephone numbers and e-mails addresses in your personal communication plan; and
- Develop alternative routes to and from work/school and practice them.

Blue (Guarded)

- Complete recommended actions at lower level;
- Be alert to suspicious activity and report it to proper authorities;
- Review stored disaster supplies and replace items that are outdated; and
- Develop emergency communication plan with family/neighbors/friends.

Green (Low)

- Take CPR/AED and first aid course;
- Develop a personal disaster plan and disaster supplies kit (The American Red Cross has resources to help you with a disaster plan and kit);
- Stay up to date on current events that relate to homeland security issues; and
- Keep important documents such as wills, insurance policies, birth certificate, banking records, etc. in an easy to find location.

* The information contained in this document has been gathered from various sources concerning homeland security and is believed to be timely. However, information on homeland security issues changes hourly. As a result, this information should not be used as the sole source for information concerning homeland security issues but only as a brief overview.